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THE FREMONT NEWSLETTER

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MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM

The mosquito control program includes three activities- larviciding, disease testing and emergency spraying. Larviciding includes the identification and control of mosquito breeding sites in stagnant waters throughout town. Typical mosquito breeding sites in Fremont include woodland pools, red maple swamps, cattail marshes, roadside ditches and flooded fields. Mosquito species that are known vectors of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and/ or West Nile Virus (WNV) are targeted. Many mosquito breeding sites have been identified in past years and new sites will be documented in 2008. By year's end, an aerial GIS map of the entire Town will be completed showing all known mosquito breeding areas. Despite record snowfall this past winter, we are experiencing very dry conditions at present with unusually low activity in mosquito breeding areas.

In June we will begin our mosquito surveillance/ testing program. From June 1st until mid October, we will be collecting mosquitoes in traps on a weekly basis. The mosquitoes will be microscopically identified to species, placed in vials and transported to the state health laboratory in Concord for testing (EEE and WNV). If any positives are discovered the town will be immediately notified.

Emergency spraying is a means to protect high priority areas during EEE or WNV activity in birds, mosquitoes or mammals, including humans. In Fremont, emergency spraying would be completed at the Library, Memorial Field, Ellis School and the Safety Complex. The decision to complete emergency spraying involves Town officials in consultation with me and State Health Officials. Michael Morrison, Entomologist - Municipal Pest Mgmt Services, Inc

HEALTH ALERT

Those ticks, all kinds, are busy outdoors this summer! Please check everyone, including pets, when you come inside from being out of the house. Don't forget, the deer ticks are very, very small and you really have to hunt for them. They are the ones that cause Lyme Disease.

Because we do not have a Public Works Department, it is everyone's responsibility to pick up trash on the side of the road by their property. Please help us keep Fremont clean. A clean town is more likely to be a healthy town. - Trudie Butler, Health Officer

PUBLIC HEARING

The Fremont Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on June 5, 2008 at 7:30 pm at the Fremont Town Hall, basement meeting room, 295 Main Street in Fremont NH to discuss changes to the Town's Fee Schedule.

The full schedule of changes is available in the Town Offices, posted at town buildings, and on the website at www.fremont.nh.gov on the Board of Selectmen page. The public is invited to attend.

FREMONT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Fremont Historical Museum will be open on the 2nd Saturday of each month between May & September from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Admission is FREE!

The FHS Museum can also be opened by special appointment by calling FHS President Matthew Thomas at 895-4032.

TRASH & RECYCLING

More information will be coming soon directly to your home, from Waste Management, regarding the cart system which will be implemented by July 1, 2008. Each household will be receiving one 64 gallon cart in which all of your trash must be placed. If you need an additional recycling bin, please come by the town Hall during open hours to pick one up. All items should be bagged inside the cart to avoid blowing and spreading trash.

One of the goals of the cart system is to encourage more recycling, so pick up another copy of the recycling information, download it from the website, or call the Selectmen's Office and we will mail you one.

Additionally, as of July 1, the Wednesday collection route will be CHANGED TO FRIDAY.

We do anticipate that there will be some time during the transition when questions will come up, and encourage you to call the Customer Service center at Waste Management at 800 847 5303 for any questions.

Please watch your mail carefully for information from Waste Management, and check the Town's Website on the Recycling Page at www.fremont.nh.gov.

Thank you very much for your patience and cooperation as we work through these changes.

During the week of Memorial Day, trash and recycling pickup will be ONE DAY DELAYED. Wednesday pickup will be Thursday May 29 and Thursday pickup will be Friday May 30th.

OFFICE CLOSURES

All Town Offices WILL BE CLOSED on Monday May 26, 2008 in observance of Memorial Day.

The Land Use Office and the Building Inspector's Office WILL BE CLOSED from June 30 to July 6 for vacation. It will reopen on Monday July 7 at 8:30 am.

All Town Offices WILL BE CLOSED on Friday July 4, 2008 in observance of Independence Day. Please plan accordingly.

The Memorial Day Parade begins at 9:00 am on Sunday May 25th. Come and show your respect for our war dead, and the many men and women who serve in the US Armed Forces every day. We are looking for participation from all Fremont groups and organizations. Call Jeanne in the Selectmen's Office at 895 2226 x 11 or send an email to Jeanne at FremontTownHall@comcast.net to get involved or get more information!

VOTER INFORMATION

June 3, 2008 is the last day for voters already registered to vote to change your party affiliation before the September Primary. The Supervisor's of the Checklist will be available from 7-7:30 pm at the Fremont Library.

June 3 - 13, 2008 is the filing period for anyone wishing to declare as a candidate for State Offices. Candidates for State Representative or State Delegate must file with the Town Clerk, for all other offices, you must file with the Secretary of State.